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Sir:

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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE

The relevance of these references to the subject matter of the present invention is given in the <u>Background and Summary</u> of the <u>Invention</u> in the specification of the present invention.

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English abstracts of the German Patents and European Patents are submitted herewith.

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